6. (Amended) A retaining wall as claimed in claim 5 wherein the granular particulate material is selected from a group consisting of cobble, sand or shredded tyre.

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- 7. (Twice Amended) A retaining wall as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least some of the tyres are each cut:
- (a) in a plane between opposing side walls thereof and are arranged in the wall so that both side walls generally face downwards; and
- (b) to remove a substantial proportion of one of the side walls and are arranged in the wall so that the remaining uncut side wall generally faces downwards.
- 11. A retaining wall for retaining an embankment or similar that if formed from a plurality of tyres arranged in a plurality of courses adjacent to the embankment wherein at least some of the tyres are each cut;
- (a) in a plane between opposing side walls thereof and such that a section of the tyre remains uncut to provide a hinge for pivoting of the tyre portions thereabout, and so that the tyres can be arranged in the wall such that noth side walls generally face downwards; and
- (b) to remove a substantial proportion of one of the side walls wherein the removed side wall is arranged in the tyre to be adjacent to the remaining side wall, and the tyres are arranged in the wall so that the remaining uncut side wall generally faces downwards.

15. A retaining wall for retaining an embankment or similar including a reinforcing section extending rearwardly into the wall from an outer portion thereof, the reinforcing section being part of the retaining wall and being formed from:

- (a) portions/sections cut form one or more tyres; or
- (b) conveyor belt portions/sections.

23. A retaining wall as claimed in claim 10 wherein the outer portion is formed from a plurality of tyres in a manner as defined in any one of claims 1-14.

32. A method as claimed in claim 25 wherein, prior to laying a course, at least some of the tyres in the course are each cut;



- (i) in a plane between opposing side walls thereof and are arranged in the walls so that side walls generally face downwards; and
- (ii) to remove a substantial proportion of one of the side walls, and are arranged in the walls so that the remaining uncut side wall generally faces downwards.



36. A method for forming a retaining wall from a plurality of tyres comprising the step of cutting at least some the tyres:

(a) in a plane between opposing side walls thereof, wherein a section of the tyre remains uncut to provide a hinge for pivoting of the tyre portions thereabout, and then arranging those tyres in the walls so that both side walls generally face downwards; and

(b) to remove a substantial portion of one of the side walls, with the removed side wall being arranged in the tyre to be adjacent to the remaining side wall, and then arranging those tyres in the wall so that the remaining uncut side wall generally faces downwards.

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39. A method as claimed in claim 25 wherein the courses are constructed in accordance with the method as defined in claim 31.

43. A method as claimed in claim 42 wherein, prior to attaching the reinforcing section to each course, the reinforcing section is pre-formed into a grid structure by joining together a plurality of tyre tread sections, a plurality of tyre side wall sections or a plurality of conveyor belt sections.